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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2005, enclosed is a Supplemental Reissue Declaration executed by the inventor of the '417 patent declaring that the errors sought to be corrected in the present reissue application "up to the time of filing of this Declaration" arose without any deceptive intent. Also enclosed for surrender is the original '417 patent.

Finally, the rejection of the present application because of the alleged expiration of the '417 patent due to nonpayment of maintenance fees is simply not correct. Enclosed is a copy of the Maintenance Fee Statement for the '417 patent from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office website clearly showing that the payment for the maintenance fee was timely paid. Accordingly, this rejection should be withdrawn.

As all outstanding issues have been resolved, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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